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To: Chairman Schnur and Commissioners Garrett, Hodson, Montgomery, and Rotunda

From: Tara Stock, Legislative Coordinator

Subject: Legislative Report

Date: September 2, 2010

The deadline for the Legislature to pass all bills was August 31, 2010, and the last day for the governor to sign or veto bills is September 30, 2010. This is the end of the two-year session. Any bills that were not approved by the Legislature are ineligible for reconsideration and must be re-introduced during the 2011-2012 session of the Legislature.

Legislation Signed by Governor – Effective January 1, 2011

AB 1181 (Huber)

Electronic Filing for Campaign Statements

This bill requires candidates and committees that are required to file with the Secretary of State to file electronically if the committee has raised or spent \$25,000 or more since January 1, 2000. A slate mailer organization will be required to file electronically if cumulative reportable payments of \$25,000 have been made or received since January 1, 2000. Lobbying entities will be required to file electronically if the total amount of any category of reportable payments, expenses, contributions, gifts, or other items is \$2,500 or more in a calendar quarter. The bill provides that if a late contribution or late independent expenditure report is required to be reported to the Secretary of State, it shall be filed online or electronically only, with no paper copies required.

Status: Signed by Governor – Chapter 18, Statutes of 2010

Commission Position: Support

AB 1514 (Hayashi)

Slate Mailer Organizations

This bill requires slate mailer organizations to file semi-annual statements regardless of activity. Current law requires semi-annual statements only if a slate mailer organization has received payments totaling \$500 or more, or has spent \$500 or more to produce one or more slate mailers.

Status: Signed by Governor – Chapter 77, Statutes of 2010

Commission Position: Support

AB 1921 (Davis)

Electronic Filing for Statements of Economic Interests

This bill authorizes the Counties of Santa Clara and Ventura, and the City of Long Beach to participate in the ongoing pilot program to permit the electronic filing of statements of economic interests. The pilot program currently includes the Counties of Los Angeles, Merced, Orange, and Stanislaus, and covers the reporting periods of 2008 through 2010. Participating agencies shall submit a report to the Commission not later than July 1, 2011. The Commission will transmit the reports and any comments to the Legislative Analyst's office, which will then provide a report to the Legislature evaluating the pilot program.

Status: Signed by Governor – Chapter 58, Statutes of 2010

Commission Position: Neutral

Legislation Approved by the Legislature and Sent to Governor

AB 1743 (Hernandez)

Placement Agents

This bill would prohibit a person from acting as a placement agent in connection with any potential system investment made by a state public retirement system unless that person is registered as a lobbyist and is in full compliance with the Act.

Commission Position: Support

AB 2007 (Adams)

Online Posting of Gifts to Legislators and Legislative Staff

This bill would require the Commission to post on its website by February 1 of each year a list of gifts made to Legislators and Legislative staff members that were reported by lobbying entities to the Secretary of State's office.

Commission Position: Oppose

SB 1007 (Hancock)

Campaign Reporting Requirements for CalPERS/STRS Candidates

This bill amends the Act to require candidates for the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) and the Teachers' Retirement Board (CalSTRS) to comply with campaign reporting requirements that are similar to other candidates for elective state office.

Commission Position: Support

SB 1271 (Romero)

Public Retirement Systems

This bill would require public retirement boards to include as an appendix to its conflict-of-interest code an appendix listing the public officials who manage public investments. The appendix is required to be posted on the agency's website.

Commission Position: Support